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SUBJECT: UNSC SOMALIA SANCTIONS COMMITTEE: POINTS FOR 29
JULY CONSULTATIONS

¶1. This is an action request. USUN may draw on the points in para 2 during the 29 July consultations regarding the Council's Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia ("the Somalia Sanctions Committee").

¶2. BEGIN POINTS

-- In resolutions 1853 and 1844, this Council, in no uncertain terms, reaffirmed its concern over the deteriorating situation in Somalia and its support for the Djibouti Peace Agreement.

-- Since then, violence has escalated, and al-Shabaab, Hizb-al Islam and other extremists continue unabated to threaten the peace and security of Somalia; target the Transitional Federal Government (TFG) and the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM); and, obstruct humanitarian assistance.

-- The United States condemns the financial and material support provided by outside actors, which has been instrumental in sustaining attacks by violent extremists against the TFG.

-- The responsibility is now ours to send a clear message that groups and individuals cannot perpetrate acts of violence with impunity and disregard for decisions of this Council.

-- I urge all Members to work together in support of the TFG and to demonstrate the Council's seriousness and determination to hold those who seek to destabilize the region and terrorize the people of Somalia accountable for their actions.

-- The United States would like to thank the Somalia Sanctions Committee's Monitoring Group for their hard work and determination to report on the implementation of the sanctions. We urge all Member States to comply with their obligations and to support the TFG.

END POINTS
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